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To whom it may concern,

I have attached a document that addresses any and all concerns I feel the city of Redondo Beach may have with allowing dog kenneling. I am sorry I will not be able to attend the city council meeting tonight. Thank you for your time.

Cami Barth

To the city of Redondo Beach,

My name is Cami Barth, owner of A Bark Idea, and I am trying to adjust the dog kenneling code in the city of Redondo Beach to allow dog kenneling. I am sorry I am not able to attend the City Council meeting this evening. I am taking an exam early tomorrow morning in order to become CCPDT certified. This dog training certification is the only certification that is recognized in North America by veterinarians and dog professionals. I am eager to open a boutique board and train facility in Redondo Beach. I would like to address a few topics in regards to what it would look like for the city of Redondo Beach if I were to open my store here. Firstly, I would like to bring up the issue of noise. Barking is a learned bad behavior amongst dogs when they play. Considering I would like to open a boarding and training facility and I am a certified dog trainer, barking will not be tolerated. I have the tools to teach the dogs an alternative behavior instead of barking.

In addition, I am looking to open a boutique style facility, which means I will have a limited amount of dogs. Many of the dog daycares in the South Bay take up to 100 dogs at a time. From my education, this is a stressful environment for many dogs and can contribute to barking. I am not trying to open a cage free daycare. Again, from my education, dogs need to have quiet time in order to be the best dogs they can be. I am planning on opening a facility that will allow each dog to have his or her own designated space. This will create a calm environment for the dogs that will result in more relaxed pups. In addition to each dog having his or her own designated space, each space will have an appropriate sized crate in case of an emergency. The safest place for a dog to be during an emergency is in a crate. During emergencies, many dogs run away due to survival instincts.

Another topic I would like to address is waste and sanitation. The dog daycares in the South Bay use trash bins for dog waste. I know Redondo Beach has trash bins, so that is where I assume the dog waste will go. I have already been in touch with a veterinarian in regards to how to keep my store safe and clean for the dogs. I will be using KennelSol, which is a germicidal cleaner and deodorizer that is safe to use around dogs. Before accepting any new dogs into my facility I will be strict about receiving and reviewing any and all documents from the dogs vet making sure a new dog is up to date on all vaccinations and is on flea medications. Prior to accepting any new adult dog I will go over the dogs history. Any dog that has a bite history with a dog or person will not be permitted to stay in my facility. In addition to having the proper medical documents and aggression history on a new dog, I will enforce that the dog must be licensed. This will help Redondo Beach keep better tract of the dogs in their city. I am trained to recognize any and all symptoms that require emergency medical treatment if a dog is sick while staying in my facility. I am also trained how to properly prevent dogfights and notice warning signs that a dog may be too stressed or in need of a break from the other dogs. If a dogfight were to break out, I am equipped with the proper tools and education on what to do and how to keep everyone and the other dogs safe.

The people of Redondo Beach should be able to leave their furry family members in their home city, instead of having to go to the neighboring cities of Redondo Beach for dog kenneling. My biggest priority is the safety of the dogs.

Safety not only means running a clean facility, but also the well being of each and every dog that will stay with me.